



# Mountain West Conference NEWS

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## 2000 Mountain West Conference Women's Volleyball Standings

School (Rk)	Conference			Home/Away	Overall			Match Results			Current Streak			
	W	L	Pct.		W	L	Pct.	Home/Away/Neut.	3gm	4gm		5gm		
1. Utah*	0	0	.000	-	3	0	1.000	-	1-0	2-0	3-0	-	-	W 3
2. Colorado State (13)!	0	0	.000	-	4	1	.800	-	1-1	3-0	2-0	1-1	1-0	L 1
3. Air Force	0	0	.000	-	2	1	.667	2-1	-	-	2-0	-	0-1	L 1
4. New Mexico	0	0	.000	-	2	2	.500	2-2	-	-	1-1	1-1	-	L 2
BYU (15)#*	0	0	.000	-	1	1	.500	-	0-1	1-0	1-0	-	0-1	L 1
6. Wyoming	0	0	.000	-	2	3	.250	-	1-1	1-2	1-1	0-2	1-0	W 1
7. San Diego State	0	0	.000	-	0	3	.000	0-3	-	-	0-3	-	-	L 4
UNLV	0	0	.000	-	0	3	.000	-	0-1	0-2	0-3	-	-	L 4

#indicates 1999 regular-season champion; ! indicates 1999 conference tournament champion, \*indicates 1999 NCAA participant

### Tournament Action Continues

BYU, Colorado State and UNLV host tournaments this weekend, while the remaining five conference teams travel for tournament play. Last week, MWC teams posted a combined 12-13 record in tournaments. Listed below is a recap of the results:

- Air Force was 2-1 in the Air Force Invitational.
- BYU was 1-1 in the Shamrock Invitational at Notre Dame after defeating Clemson and falling to the host Fighting Irish.
- Colorado State picked up a pair of wins at the USBank Nebraska Tournament, but dropped a match to No. 6 Nebraska.
- New Mexico posted a 2-2 record in the UNM-Comcast Invitational.
- San Diego State dropped three matches, all to ranked opponents, in the SDSU "Diggin' It 2000" Tournament.
- UNLV fell to ranked opponents Florida and Wisconsin, and dropped a third match to Ball State at the Florida Tournament.
- Utah improved to 3-0 on the year after winning all three matches at the New Hampshire Tournament.
- Wyoming posted a 2-3 record last weekend, including a 1-3 mark at the Texas-San Antonio Tournament.

### Last Week's Results

USA Today/AVCA ranking listed in parenthesis; All times are local

#### September 1 (Friday)

BYU at Notre Dame Shamrock Invitational (Notre Dame, Ind.)

BYU (15) def. Clemson 15-5, 15-7, 15-10

CSU at US Bank Tournament (Lincoln, Neb.)

COLORADO STATE (13) def. Georgia 15-9, 15-4, 15-2

NEW MEXICO hosts UNM-Comcast Invitational

NEW MEXICO def. Drake 10-15, 17-15, 15-13, 15-13

SAN DIEGO STATE hosts "Diggin' It 2000"

San Diego def. SAN DIEGO STATE 15-6, 15-12, 15-7

UNLV at Florida Tournament (Gainesville, Fla.)

Florida (9) def. UNLV 15-2, 15-8, 15-5

Wisconsin (16) def. UNLV 15-5, 15-0, 15-1

UTAH at New Hampshire Tournament (Durham, N.H.)

UTAH def. Eastern Michigan 15-7, 15-2, 15-1

WYOMING at Texas-San Antonio Tournament

Oregon def. WYOMING 15-1, 6-15, 15-7, 15-12

Texas-San Antonio def. WYOMING 15-12, 15-9, 15-9

#### September 2 (Saturday)

BYU at Notre Dame Invitational

Notre Dame def. BYU (15) 5-15, 10-15, 15-10, 15-10, 15-10

CSU at US Bank Tournament (Lincoln, Neb.)

COLORADO ST. (13) def. Northwestern 15-6, 15-10, 15-3

Nebraska def. COLORADO ST. (13) 7-15, 15-7, 15-13, 15-13

NEW MEXICO hosts UNM-Comcast Invitational

NEW MEXICO def. Portland State 15-7, 15-5, 15-9

Washington def. NEW MEXICO 5-15, 15-11, 15-13, 15-12

SDSU hosts "Diggin' It 2000"

Arizona (10) def. SAN DIEGO ST. 15-5, 15-2, 15-7

UC Barbara (14) at SAN DIEGO ST. 15-13, 15-7, 15-5

UNLV at Florida Tournament

Ball State def. UNLV 15-12, 15-5, 15-11

UTAH at New Hampshire Tournament (Durham, N.H.)

UTAH def. Massachusetts 15-8, 15-10, 15-2

UTAH def. New Hampshire 15-12, 15-4, 15-4

WYOMING at Texas-San Antonio Tournament

WYOMING def. Sam Houston State 15-6, 15-3, 15-6

Mississippi def. WYOMING 15-11, 15-2, 10-15, 15-3

#### September 3 (Sunday)

AFA hosts Air Force Invitational

AIR FORCE def. Jacksonville State 15-5, 15-9, 15-5

AIR FORCE def. Lehigh 15-7, 15-6, 15-8

Stanford (3) def. NEW MEXICO 15-9, 15-4, 15-4



**2000 National Polls**

**USA Today/AVCA Top 25  
Coaches Poll #1 (Sept. 4)**

Rk	School	Pts	2000 Rec	Last Rk
1.	Stanford# (20)	1,383	3-0	3
2.	Long Beach State (13)	1,351	2-0	4
3.	UCLA (23)	1,333	3-1	1
4.	Nebraska (1)	1,293	3-0	6
5.	Penn State* (10)	1,287	3-1	2
6.	Hawai'i (2)	1,272	2-0	5
7.	<b>Colorado State</b>	<b>1,135</b>	<b>4-1</b>	<b>13</b>
8.	USC (1)	1,126	2-0	7
9.	Pepperdine	1,039	3-0	8
10.	Minnesota	954	3-0	11
11.	Pacific (1)	894	3-0	12
12.	Florida	848	3-2	9
13.	UC Santa Barbara	741	2-1	14
14.	Arizona	708	2-1	10
15.	Wisconsin	556	2-1	16
16.	Michigan State	436	3-0	20
17.	<b>BYU</b>	<b>433</b>	<b>1-1</b>	<b>15</b>
18.	Texas A&M	411	1-2	19
19.	Baylor	371	4-0	21
20.	Kansas State	325	3-1	17
21.	Loyola Marymount	302	3-0	23
22.	Notre Dame	295	3-0	NR
23.	Texas	260	0-2	18
24.	San Diego	192	2-1	NR
25.	Michigan	127	2-1	24

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**Top 20 (Sept. 5)**

Rk	School	2000 Rec	Last Rk
1.	Long Beach State	2-0	2
2.	USC	2-0	4
3.	UCLA	3-1	1
4.	Penn State*	3-1	3
5.	Hawai'i	2-0	5
6.	Stanford#	3-0	6
7.	Pacific	3-0	8
8.	Pepperdine	3-0	9
9.	Nebraska	3-0	11
10.	Minnesota	3-0	10
11.	Michigan State	3-0	12
12.	Arizona	2-1	7
13.	<b>Colorado State</b>	<b>4-1</b>	<b>14</b>
14.	<b>BYU</b>	<b>1-1</b>	<b>13</b>
15.	Florida	3-2	16
16.	Wisconsin	2-1	17
17.	UC Santa Barbara	2-1	18
18.	Texas	0-2	15
19.	Ohio State	3-0	19
20.	Baylor	4-0	NR

Others: Kansas State, Loyola Marymount, Michigan, Notre Dame, **Utah**, Virginia, Utah State, Texas A&M.

\*1999 NCAA champion; #1999 NCAA runnerup  
^final poll conducted before the NCAA tournament

**September 4 (Monday)**

AFA hosts Air Force Invitational

Miss. State def. **AIR FORCE** 15-7, 16-14, 9-15, 4-15, 15-10

**WYOMING** def. Texas-Arlington 10-15, 10-15, 15-13, 15-11, 15-12

**Upcoming Schedule** (All times local to site)

**September 5 (Tuesday)**

**COLORADO STATE (7)** at Colorado, 7 p.m.

Kansas State (20) at **BYU (17)**, 5 p.m.

Pepperdine (9) at **SAN DIEGO STATE**, 5 p.m.

Stanford (1) at **UTAH**, 7 p.m.

**September 7 (Thursday)**

BYU hosts BYU Mizuno Classic (Provo, Utah)

Oral Roberts at **BYU (17)**, 7 p.m.

UNLV hosts UNLV Invitational (Las Vegas, Nev.)

Louisville at **UNLV**, 7 p.m.

**September 8 (Friday)**

AFA at Kansas State Wildcat Classic Tournament (Manhattan, Kan.)

**AIR FORCE** vs. Virginia Tech, 5 p.m.

BYU hosts BYU Mizuno Classic

Stanford (1) vs. **BYU (17)**, 7 p.m.

CSU hosts University Holiday Inn Classic (Fort Collins, Colo.)

Auburn at **COLORADO STATE (7)**, 7 p.m.

NEW MEXICO at Michigan Tourney (Ann Arbor, Mich.)

**NEW MEXICO** vs. South Carolina, 11 a.m.

**NEW MEXICO** at Michigan (25), 7:30 p.m.

SDSU at NIKE Conference Challenge (Portland, Ore.)

**SAN DIEGO STATE** vs. St. Mary's, 3 p.m.

**SAN DIEGO STATE** at Portland State, 8 p.m.

UNLV hosts UNLV Invitational

Idaho State at **UNLV**, 2:30 p.m.

Alabama at **UNLV**, 7:30 p.m.

UTAH at Cal Poly Tournament (San Luis Obispo, Calif.)

**UTAH** vs. Nevada, 5 p.m.

WYOMING at UW-Milwaukee Tournament

**WYOMING** at UW-Milwaukee, 7 p.m.

**September 9 (Saturday)**

AFA at Kansas State Wildcat Classic Tournament

**AIR FORCE** at Kansas State (20), Noon

**AIR FORCE** vs. Bradley, 5 p.m.

BYU hosts BYU Mizuno Classic

Fairfield at **BYU**, Noon

Long Beach State (2) at **BYU (17)**, 7 p.m.

CSU hosts University Holiday Inn Classic

Drake at. **COLORADO STATE (7)**, 10 a.m.

UC Santa Barbara (13) at **COLORADO STATE (7)**, 7:30 p.m.

New MEXICO at Michigan Tourney (Ann Arbor, Mich.)

**NEW MEXICO** vs. Northern Illinois, 7 p.m.

SDSU at NIKE Conference Challenge (Portland, Ore.)

**SAN DIEGO STATE** at Oregon St., 12:30 p.m.

**SAN DIEGO STATE** vs. Idaho, 5:30 p.m.

UNLV hosts UNLV Invitational

Boise State at **UNLV**, Noon

San Jose State at **UNLV**, 7:30 p.m.

UTAH at Cal Poly Tournament (San Luis Obispo, Calif.)

**UTAH** vs. San Diego (24), 11:30 a.m.

**UTAH** at Cal Ploy SLO, 7:30 p.m.

WYOMING at UW-Milwaukee Tournament

**WYOMING** vs. Austin Peay, 11 a.m.

**WYOMING** vs. Portland, 4 p.m.



**Tournament Honors**

All eight Mountain West teams participated in tournaments last weekend. Following is a list of honors received at the tournaments:

- Air Force Academy's Shaylor Billings, Ana-Maria Ortega and Delevane Diaz were named to the Air Force Invitational all-tournament team. The Falcons were 2-1 in the tournament.
- BYU placed three players on the Shamrock Invitational all-tournament team at Notre Dame: Sunny Tonga, Nina Puikkonen and Melissa Layton.
- Colorado State's Courtney Cox, Angela Knopf and Krista Swartzendruber were named to the USBank Nebraska all-tournament team last weekend after leading the Rams to a 2-1 record. Cox also garnered tournament MVP honors at the NACWAAState Farm Volleyball Classic earlier this season.
- New Mexico's Vanessa Shields and Amy Amundson earned all-tournament team honors at the New Mexico Invitational after the Lobos posted a 2-2 record.
- Utah's Katrena Ellett was named Most Valuable Player at the New Hampshire Tournament after helping the Utes to a 3-0 mark. Jen Snow-Richards and Lucie Tarkova joined teammate Ellett on the all-tournament team.

**Playing the Best**

The Mountain West Conference continues to play some of the nation's best teams. Colorado State has already met a No. 1 team (UCLA), and after this week Utah and BYU will also have tangled with the nation's best team in Stanford.

After eight matches vs. top 30 opponents last weekend, the MWC will have nine matches vs. top 25 opponents this weekend. Counting Colorado State's victories over No. 9 Florida and No. 1 UCLA in week one of the season, MWCteams will have battled nine top 10 opponents in the first three weeks of the season. On tap this weekend:

- Sept. 5 No. 20 Kansas State at No. 17 BYU  
No. 9 Pepperdine at San Diego State  
No. 1 Stanford at Utah
- Sept. 8 No. 1 Stanford at No. 17 BYU  
New Mexico at No. 25 Michigan
- Sept. 9 Air Force at No. 20 Kansas State  
No. 2 Long Beach State at No. 17 BYU  
No. 13 UC Santa Barbara at No. 7 Colorado State  
No. 24 San Diego vs. Utah

Mountain West Conference teams will face a total of 25 teams that participated in the NCAA Tournament in 1999 in a total of 44 matches, an increase from last season's total of 21 teams in 35 matches.

**MWC Record vs. Ranked Opponents**

(ranking noted at time teams played)

Team	Rec.	Opponent	Result
BYU	1-1	vs. No. 27 Clemson at No. 28 Notre Dame	W 3-0 L 2-3
Colorado State	2-1	vs. No. 9 Florida vs. No. 1 UCLA at No. 6 Nebraska	W 3-1 W 3-2 L 1-3
San Diego State	0-3	No. 31 San Diego No. 10 Arizona No. 14 UC Santa Barbara	L 0-3 L 0-3 L 0-3
UNLV	0-2	vs. No. 9 Florida vs. No. 16 Wisconsin	L 0-3 L 0-3
<b>Total</b>	<b>3-7</b>		

**The Rankings**

Colorado State reached No. 7 this week in the USA Today/AVCA Division I Top 25 Coaches poll while BYU slipped to No. 17. The Rams have been ranked in the poll 116 weeks since the poll began in 1982 and the Cougars have been ranked 214 weeks. BYU reached its highest ranking in school history at No. 1 on four occasions, and the Rams reached their best ranking at No. 5 in 1987.

CSU and BYU spent the entire 1999 season ranked in the USA Today/AVCA poll before finishing the season rated 12th and 13th in the nation, respectively.

**MWC vs. Non-conference**

Listed below is the MWC record against non-conference opponents. Last year, Mountain West teams posted a 45-39 record against the top 15 conferences listed in the 1999 final RPI ranking.

**2000 vs. Non-conference**

ACC	1-0
Big East	0-1
Big Sky	1-0
Big Ten	1-1
Big 12	0-1
Big West	0-1
Mid-American	1-1
Missouri Valley	1-0
Pac 10	1-3
SEC	3-2
Southland	2-1
<u>West Coast</u>	<u>0-1</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>11-12</b>

**Coaching Milestones**

Several Mountain West Conference head volleyball coaches will approach significant milestones this season.

■ BYU's Elaine Michaelis, who is second in all-time victories among NCAA Division I coaches with 842, needs just eight wins to reach the 850-milestone. Michaelis is also the all-time leader in wins among female coaches.

■ UNLV's Deitre Collins needs just one win to reach 50 career victories.

■ Colorado State's Tom Hilbert has topped 20 wins each of the last eight seasons, including three straight with the Rams. One more 20-win season would put Hilbert at 275 career victories.

■ Utah's Beth Launiere would reach 200 career victories if the Utes can put together a fifth straight 20-win campaign.

■ Wyoming's Susan Judge needs just three wins to reach 100 career victories.

Entering this season, Mountain West Conference head volleyball coaches had a combined 1,913 career victories and 92 years of coaching experience. BYU's Elaine Michaelis was the dean of the MWC coaches with an 851-209-5 record in 31 seasons. Although he is in his 12th season overall as a head coach, Colorado State's Tom Hilbert is the newcomer to the MWC with an 81-17 record in three seasons.

**2000 Preseason Coaches' Poll**

Team (1st-place votes)	Pts.
1. BYU (4)	53
Colorado State (4)	53
3. Utah	41
4. San Diego State	36
UNLV	36
6. New Mexico	26
7. Wyoming	18
8. Air Force	17

**1999 NCAA Women's Volleyball Rating Percentage Index (RPI)**

Rk., Conference (MWC record vs. conference)

1. Big Ten (1-1)
2. ACC (3-2)
3. Mountain West
4. Pac-10 (4-5)
5. Big 12 (6-7)
6. SEC (3-2)
7. Big West (4-4)
8. Big Sky (5-3)
9. Big East (6-3)
10. Atlantic 10 (2-0)
11. West Coast
12. C-USA (4-0)
13. WAC (3-3)
14. Ivy (0-0)
15. Colonial



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**Mountain West Conference First**

Colorado State's upset of No. 1 UCLA in Gainesville, Fla., last weekend marks the first-ever victory by any Mountain West Conference team over a No. 1-ranked opponent. The Rams also stunned host and No. 9-ranked Florida in the semifinals en route to the NACWAA State Farm Volleyball Classic Championship. The NACWAA State Farm Classic Champion has advanced to the NCAA Final Four each of the past five seasons.

**MWC Granted Automatic Qualification**

Entering its second year in existence, the Mountain West Conference was granted automatic qualification by the NCAA, meaning the champion of the postseason tournament will receive an automatic bid to the 2000 NCAA Volleyball Tournament. Last year without the automatic bid, three teams received at-large bids to the 64-team tournament.

**MWC Championship in Fort Collins**

The 2000 Mountain West Conference volleyball championship will take place in Fort Collins, Colo. Colorado State will serve as host to the championship which takes place Nov. 16-18 at Moby Arena. For media credential information, contact Ron Christian at 719-533-9510.

**Nonconference Opponents**

The league's nonconference slate will also feature more teams from the major conferences. The following is a breakdown (No. of matches): seven teams from the SEC (8), the Big West (12) and the Pac-10 (11); six from the West Coast (10); four from the Big 12 (6); three from the Big Ten (3), Big East (5), Big Sky (7); five from the Atlantic 10 (5); two from the ACC (2) and the WAC (2).

**Mountain West Players of the Week**

Sept. 4 Courtney Cox, Jr., OH, Colorado State)

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**For The Record**

Four individual Mountain West Conference records and another team MWC record was broken after just one week of play. (See page 5 of this release under "2000 Mountain West Conference Match Bests").

**2000 Mountain West Conference Match Bests**

**Attack Percentage**

Indiv.: #.812 (13-0-16) Angela Knopf (CSU) vs. N'western, Sept. 2  
Team: .448 (44-5-87) Colorado State vs. Georgia, Sept. 3

**Kills**

Indiv.: \*30 Courtney Cox (CSU) at Nebraska, Sept. 2  
Team: 81 Colorado State vs. UCLA, Aug. 26

**Attempts**

Indiv.: \*70 (30-6-70) Courtney Cox (CSU) at Nebraska, Sept. 2  
Team: ^214 (69-45-214) New Mexico vs. Drake, Sept. 1

**Assists**

Indiv.: #65 Allison Peckham (CSU) at Nebraska, Sept. 2  
Team: 73 Colorado State vs. UCLA, Aug. 26

**Digs**

Indiv.: 25 Krista Swartzendruber (CSU) vs. UCLA, Aug. 26  
Team: 83 Colorado State vs. UCLA, Aug. 26

**Service Aces**

Indiv.: 5 Melissa Layton (BYU) vs. Clemson, Sept. 1  
Team: 10 Colorado State at Nebraska, Sept. 2  
BYU vs. Clemson, Sept. 1

**Blocks**

Indiv.: 14 (2/12) Jackie Bundy (BYU) at Notre Dame, Sept. 2  
Team: 20 (BYU) at Notre Dame, Sept. 2  
\*MWC 4-game match record and MWC junior match record  
#MWC junior match record  
^MWC 4-game record

**2000 Mountain West Conference Superlatives**

**30-Kill Club**

30 Courtney Cox (Colorado State) at Nebraska, Sept. 2

**20-Kill Club**

24 Krista Swartzendruber (Colorado State) vs. UCLA, Aug. 26  
24 Courtney Cox (Colorado State) vs. UCLA, Aug. 26  
20 Jamie Burke (Wyoming) at Tex.-Arlington, Sept. 4  
20 Delevane Diaz (Air Force) vs. Mississippi State, Sept. 4

**20-Dig Club**

25 Krista Swartzendruber (Colorado State) vs. UCLA, Aug. 26  
20 Krista Swartzendruber (Colorado State) at Nebraska, Sept. 2

**This Season's Double-Double Leaders (min. 2)**

**Ana-Maria Ortega (Air Force)** 11k-13d vs. Lehigh, Sept. 3  
14k-13d vs. Jacksonville State, Sept. 3  
10k-13d vs. Miss. State, Sept. 4

**Delevane Diaz (Air Force)** 13k-15d vs. Lehigh, Sept. 3  
20k-10d vs. Miss. State, Sept. 4

**Courtney Cox (Colorado State)** 24k-15d vs. UCLA, Aug. 26  
30k-13d at Nebraska, Sept. 2

**Krista Swartzendruber (Colo. State)** 24k-25d vs. UCLA, Aug. 26  
15k-20d at Nebraska, Sept. 2

**Jessie Goffard (New Mexico)** 17k-10d vs. Drake, Sept. 1  
15k-17d vs. Washington, Sept. 2

**Jamie Burke (Wyoming)** 11k-12d at Tex.-San Antonio, Sept. 1  
20k-14d at Tex.-Arlington, Sept. 4

**Team Notes:**

**Air Force Falcons (2-1, 0-0 MWC)**

**Head Coach:** Penny Lucas-White  
**Overall Record:** 132-161(10th year)  
**School Record:** 37-81 (5th year)



☛ Air Force is second in the conference in digs (14.73 per game) and assists (13.45 per game).  
☛ A trio of Falcons are second in the individual conference statistics: Shaylor Billings ranks second in the league in kills per game (4.09), Delevane Diaz is second in aces per game (.82) and Ana-Maria Ortega is second in digs per game (3.82).  
☛ Senior outside hitter Ana-Maria Ortega leads the MWC in double-doubles after recording one in each of the three Falcon matches this season.

**BYU Cougars (1-1, 0-0 MWC)**

**Head Coach:** Elaine Michaelis  
**Overall Record:** 842-210-5 (32nd year)  
**School Record:** 842-210-5 (32nd year)



☛ Jackie Bundy's 14 blocks (2 block solo, 12 block assists) against Notre Dame was a new career best for the junior middle blocker. She leads her team and the MWC in blocks with 2.12 per game.  
☛ The Cougars improved to 9-1 overall against the ACC with their win over Clemson. BYU is now 7-1 vs. the Big East Conference after its five-game loss at Notre Dame.  
☛ Despite coming out ahead in most statistical categories, the Cougars dropped the last three games to host Notre Dame Saturday in a five-game thriller for its first defeat of the year. BYU hit .213 compared to Notre Dame's .163; served up nine aces to the Irish's five; recorded 20 team blocks to Notre Dame's 11 and was just one shy in digs with 62 compared to the Irish's 63.  
☛ Playing in her first collegiate match, redshirt freshman setter Karina Puikkonen helped BYU defeat Clemson with 31 assists, three aces, two blocks and four kills while hitting .375. She added 41 assists, eight blocks, six digs and four kills against Notre Dame. Puikkonen, the younger sister of Nina Puikkonen, is filling the role assumed the last four years by All-American Anna-Lena Smith, BYU's all-time assist leader.

**Colorado State Rams (4-1, 0-0 MWC)**

**Head Coach:** Tom Hilbert  
**Overall Record:** 259-90 (12th year)  
**School Record:** 85-18 (4th year)



☛ Junior setter Allison Peckham recorded her 2,000 career assist against Nebraska, becoming only the sixth player in CSU history to accomplish that feat.  
☛ Junior middle blocker Angela Knopf moved onto the career charts in both solo blocks and block assists with three and seven, respectively, against Nebraska on Saturday. She now has 48 solo blocks and 244 block assists for her career.  
☛ Senior Katherine Pettit had a great homecoming at the Nebraska Tournament over the weekend. The back row specialist/setter tied her career highs in both digs (11) and service aces (3) in the finals against Nebraska, in which she received a standing ovation from the fans who have been loyal fans to her father, Terry Pettit, the former coach of the Huskers for over 20 seasons.  
☛ Colorado State has now won its last 27 matches after winning games one and two. The Rams are 3-0 this season after winning the first two games, and went a perfect 24-0 in 1999.  
☛ As a team, the Rams lead the conference in assists per game (14.79). Junior outside hitter Courtney Cox leads the MWC in kills per game with 4.68.



**New Mexico Lobos (2-2, 0-0 MWC)**  
Head Coach: Laurel Brassey Iversen  
Overall Record: 282-195 (17th year)  
School Record: 282-195 (17th year)



- ☛ Six of seven Lobos who played against Drake recorded double figure digs (Goffard-10, Shields-12, Sansoni-16, Griffin-16, Amundson-11 and Burns-10), and four of the seven notched double-doubles (k/d-Goffard 17/10, Shields 18/12, Sansoni 14/16 and Amundson 12/11, Griffin had 58 assists/16 digs).
- ☛ New Mexico hit a season high .273 (42k-15e-99ta) against Portland State.
- ☛ UNM is averaging 14.64 digs and 14.36 kills per game
- ☛ The Lobos Kelly Griffin is fourth in the Mountain West for assists with 10.86 per game.

**San Diego State Aztecs (0-3, 0-0 MWC)**  
Head Coach: Mark Warner  
Overall Record: 83-72 (6th year)  
School Record: 83-72 (6th year)



- ☛ The Aztecs lost three matches to nationally-ranked squads last weekend during their own Diggin' It 2000 tournament. SDSU fell to 10th-ranked Arizona, 14th-ranked UC Santa Barbara, and San Diego which also received votes in the AVCApre-season poll.
- ☛ Aztec freshmen Zlatina Anguelova and Aspen McPartland made big impressions in their first action last weekend. Anguelova led the team with 22 kills, while McPartland, a middle blocker from San Diego, finished a close second to Anguelova with 21 kills.
- ☛ Melissa Wright, a sophomore transfer from Washington State, has moved into the starting setter role for the Aztecs. She averaged 11.5 assists per contest in her eight games over the weekend, ranking her third in the MWC statistics.

Regular Season Home Attendance Figures				
Team	M	Total	Avg.	High
New Mexico	4	1,358	340	512 (Stanford 9/3)
San Diego State	3	958	319	437 (San Diego 9/1)
Air Force	3	700	233	250 (vs. Miss. State 9/4)
BYU	0	0	0	0
Colorado State	0	0	0	0
UNLV	0	0	0	0
Utah	0	0	0	0
Wyoming	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>3,016</b>	<b>302</b>	

  

Regular Season Road/Neutral Sites Attendance Figures				
Team	M	Total	Avg.	High
Colorado State	5	9,805	1,961	3,987 (at Nebraska 9/2)
UNLV	0	4,495	1,499	3,023 (at Florida 9/1)
Wyoming	4	1,216	244	421 (at Tex-San Antonio 9/2)
BYU	2	973	486	723 (at Notre Dame 9/2)
Utah	3	361	120	261 (at New Hamp. 9/2)
Air Force	0	0	0	0
New Mexico	0	0	0	0
San Diego State	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>16,850</b>	<b>1,204</b>	

**UNLV Rebels (0-3, 0-0 MWC)**  
Head Coach: Deitre Collins  
Overall Record: 49-65 (5th year)  
School Record: 49-65 (5th year)



- ☛ UNLV dropped a pair of matches to top 25 teams.
- ☛ The Rebels had three players in double figure kills against Ball State (Cordelia Palepoi-14, Leiana Oswald-12, Blair Wilkes-11).
- ☛ Freshman outside hitter Leiana Oswald recorded her first career double-double vs. Ball State with 12 kills and 13 digs.
- ☛ Junior transfer Cordelia Palepoi recorded a UNLV individual season high of 14 kills vs. Ball State.

**Utah Utes (3-0, 0-0 MWC)**  
Head Coach: Beth Launiere  
Overall Record: 183-138 (11th year)  
School Record: 183-138 (11th year)



- ☛ Senior outside hitter Jen Snow-Richards recorded a career-high for hitting percentage with .722 (13-0-18) in a three-game win over Massachusetts.
- ☛ Sophomore middle blocker Katrena Ellett racked up a career-high 14 digs in a three-game sweep of Eastern Michigan.
- ☛ The Utes are off to a 3-0 start for the first time since 1992.
- ☛ Freshman middle blocker Kim Turner is hitting .426 after three matches this season.
- ☛ Four Utes are hitting over .400 for the season, and as a team, Utah leads the conference with a .348 hitting percentage.

**Wyoming Cowgirls (2-3, 0-0 MWC)**  
Head Coach: Susan Judge  
Overall Record: 97-99 (7th year)  
School Record: 60-67 (5th year)



- ☛ Freshman Michele Rauter finished her first collegiate start with 15 kills, nine digs and a .226 hitting percentage vs. Oregon. Rauter leads the team with nine service aces and ranks second on the team in kills with 51 (2.68 per game). Rauter is tied for the conference lead with nine aces.
- ☛ Sophomore setter Stephanie Snyder, a transfer from North Dakota, leads team in assists at 10.22 per game after starting three matches for the Cowgirls.
- ☛ The Cowgirls had a season high .325 hitting percentage (40-13-83) in their victory over Sam Houston State.
- ☛ Senior outside hitter Jamie Burke ranks sixth in the MWC for digs with 2.89 per game.

**1999 NCAA Women's**

**Volleyball Final Attendance Averages**

1.	Hawai i	7,139
2.	Nebraska	3,767
3.	Penn State	2,734
4.	Florida	2,324
5.	Illinois State	2,316
6.	Stanford	2,266
7.	Pacific (Cal.)	2,042
8.	Wisconsin	1,972
9.	Minnesota	1,965
10.	Kansas State	1,944
14.	Colorado State	1,488
16.	BYU	1,306
32.	Utah	770
36.	Wyoming	699
49.	New Mexico	563

**2000 Mountain West Conference Volleyball Schedules/Results****AIR FORCE FALCONS (2-1 / 0-0 MWC)**

Date	Opponent	Score	Time/Result
S 3-4	<b>Air Force Invitational (Colo. Springs, Colo.)</b>		
S 3	vs. Jacksonville St.	15-5, 15-9, 15-5	3-0 W
S 3	vs. Lehigh	15-7, 15-6, 15-8	3-0 W
S 4	vs. Mississippi St.	7-15, 14-16, 15-9, 15-4, 0-15	2-3 L
S 8-9	Kansas State Wildcat Classic Tournament (Manhattan, Kan.)		
S 8	vs. Virginia Tech		5 p.m.
S 9	at Kansas State		Noon
S 9	vs. Bradley		5 p.m.
S 11	<b>Colorado</b>		7 p.m.
S 13	<b>Wisconsin-Green Bay</b>		7 p.m.
S 15-16	<b>Air Force Classic (Colo. Springs, Colo.)</b>		
S 15	vs. Army		7 p.m.
S 16	vs. Prairie View		11 a.m.
S 16	vs. Winthrop		7 p.m.
S 22	at New Mexico*		7 p.m.
S 29	at UNLV*		7 p.m.
S 30	at San Diego State*		7 p.m.
O 5	<b>Colorado State*</b>		7 p.m.
O 7	<b>Wyoming*</b>		7 p.m.
O 13	at BYU*		7 p.m.
O 14	at Utah*		7 p.m.
O 17	at Denver		7 p.m.
O 20	<b>New Mexico*</b>		7 p.m.
O 27	<b>San Diego State*</b>		7 p.m.
O 28	<b>UNLV*</b>		7 p.m.
N 3	at Wyoming*		7 p.m.
N 4	at Colorado State*		7 p.m.
N 10	<b>Utah*</b>		7 p.m.
N 11	<b>BYU*</b>		7 p.m.
N 16-18	at Mountain West Championship (Fort Collins, Colo.)		

**BYU COUGARS (1-1 / 0-0 MWC)**

Date	Opponent	Score	Time/Result
S 1-2	Notre Dame Invitational (South Bend, Ind.)		
S 1	vs. Clemson	15-5, 15-7, 15-10	3-0 W
S 2	at Notre Dame	15-5, 15-10, 10-15, 10-15, 10-15	2-3 L
S 5	<b>Kansas State</b>		5 p.m.
S 7-9	<b>BYU Mizuno Classic (Provo, Utah)</b>		
S 7	vs. Oral Roberts		7 p.m.
S 8	vs. Stanford		7 p.m.
S 9	vs. Fairfield		Noon
S 9	vs. Long Beach St.		7 p.m.
S 12	at Utah State		7 p.m.
S 15	<b>Arizona</b>		7 p.m.
S 16	<b>Temple</b>		7 p.m.
S 22	<b>UNLV*</b>		7 p.m.
S 23	<b>San Diego State*</b>		7 p.m.
S 26	<b>Weber State</b>		7 p.m.
S 29	at Colorado State*		7 p.m.
S 30	at Wyoming*		7 p.m.
O 6	at Utah*		7 p.m.
O 13	<b>Air Force*</b>		7 p.m.
O 14	<b>New Mexico*</b>		7 p.m.
O 18	at Pepperdine		5 p.m.
O 19	at UNLV*		7 p.m.
O 20	at San Diego State*		7 p.m.
O 27	<b>Wyoming*</b>		7 p.m.
O 28	<b>Colorado State*</b>		7 p.m.
N 3	<b>Utah*</b>		7 p.m.
N 10	at New Mexico*		7 p.m.
N 11	at Air Force*		7 p.m.
N 16-18	at Mountain West Championship (Fort Collins, Colo.)		
N 24	at UC Santa Barbara		7 p.m.

**COLORADO STATE RAMS (4-1 / 0-0 MWC)**

Date	Opponent	Score	Time/Result
A 25-26	State Farm Volleyball Classic (Gainesville, Fla.)		
A 25	at No. 9 Florida	15-7, 15-5, 4-15, 15-9	3-1 W
A 26	vs. No. 1 UCLA	15-8, 8-15, 15-12, 11-15, 17-15	3-2 W
S 1-2	US Bank Tournament (Lincoln, Neb.)		
S 1	vs. Georgia	15-9, 15-4, 15-2	3-0 W
S 2	vs. Northwestern	15-6, 15-10, 15-3	3-0 W
S 2	at Nebraska	15-7, 7-15, 13-15, 13-15	1-3 L
S 5	at Colorado		7 p.m.
S 8-9	<b>University Holiday Inn Classic (Fort Collins, Colo.)</b>		
S 8	vs. Auburn		7 p.m.
S 9	vs. Drake		10 a.m.
S 9	vs. Santa Barbara		7:30 p.m.
S 15-16	<b>Coors Classic (Fort Collins, Colo.)</b>		
S 15	vs. Massachusetts		7 p.m.
S 16	vs. Loyola-Chicago		Noon
S 16	vs. Georgia Tech		7 p.m.
S 20	<b>Wyoming*</b>		7 p.m.
S 22-23	Golden Dome Invitational (South Bend, Ind.)		
S 22	vs. Loyola Marymount		5 p.m.
S 23	at Notre Dame		7 p.m.
S 29	<b>BYU*</b>		7 p.m.
S 30	<b>Utah*</b>		7 p.m.
O 5	at Air Force*		7 p.m.
O 6	at New Mexico*		7 p.m.
O 10	<b>Denver</b>		7 p.m.
O 13	<b>UNLV*</b>		7 p.m.
O 14	<b>San Diego State*</b>		7 p.m.
O 20	at Wyoming*		7 p.m.
O 27	at Utah*		7 p.m.
O 28	at BYU*		7 p.m.
N 3	<b>New Mexico*</b>		7 p.m.
N 4	<b>Air Force*</b>		7 p.m.
N 10	at San Diego State*		7 p.m.
N 11	at UNLV*		7:30 p.m.
N 16-18	at Mountain West Championship (Fort Collins, Colo.)		
N 23-24	Bankers Classic (Stockton, Calif.)		
N 23	vs. Arizona		5 p.m.
N 24	Consolation/Championship5/7 p.m.		

**NEW MEXICO LOBOS (2-2 / 0-0 MWC)**

Date	Opponent	Score	Time/Result
S 1-2	<b>UNM-C Comcast Invitational</b>		
S 1	vs. Drake	10-15, 17-15, 15-13, 15-13	3-1 W
S 2	vs. Portland State	15-7, 15-5, 15-9	3-0 W
S 2	vs. Washington	15-5, 11-15, 13-15, 12-15	1-3 L
S 3	<b>Stanford</b>	9-15, 4-15, 4-15	0-3 L
S 8-9	Michigan Tournament (Ann Arbor, Mich.)		
S 8	vs. South Carolina		11 a.m.
S 8	at Michigan		7:30 p.m.
S 9	vs. Northern Illinois		2 p.m.
S 15-16	<b>UNM-Clubhouse Inn Invitational</b>		
S 15	vs. Arizona State		7 p.m.
S 16	vs. UC-Riverside		Noon
S 16	vs. Oral Roberts		7 p.m.
S 22	<b>Air Force*</b>		7 p.m.
S 28	at UNLV*		7 p.m.
S 29	at San Diego State*		7 p.m.
O 6	<b>Wyoming*</b>		7 p.m.
O 7	<b>Colorado State*</b>		7 p.m.
O 13	at Utah*		7 p.m.
O 14	at BYU*		7 p.m.
O 20	at Air Force*		7 p.m.
O 27	<b>UNLV*</b>		7 p.m.
O 28	<b>San Diego State*</b>		7 p.m.
N 3	at Colorado State*		7 p.m.
N 4	at Wyoming*		7 p.m.
N 10	<b>BYU*</b>		7 p.m.
N 11	<b>Utah*</b>		7 p.m.
N 16-18	at Mountain West Championship (Fort Collins, Colo.)		
N 24-25	<b>UNM-Dominos Albuturkey Tournament</b>		
N 24	vs. San Francisco		7 p.m.
N 25	Championship/Consolation		5/7 p.m.



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### SAN DIEGO STATE AZTECS (0-3 / 0-0 MWC)

Date	Opponent	Score	Time/Result
S 1-2	<b>Diggin' It 2000 (Cox Arena, San Diego, Calif.)</b>		
S 1	vs. San Diego	6-15, 12-15, 7-15	0-3 L
S 2	vs. Arizona	5-15, 2-15, 7-15	0-3 L
S 2	vs. UC-Santa Barbara	13-15, 7-15, 5-15	0-3 L
S 5	<b>Pepperdine</b>		5 p.m.
S 8-9	NIKE Conference Challenge (Portland, Ore.)		
S 8	vs. St. Mary's		3 p.m.
S 8	at Portland State		8 p.m.
S 9	vs. Oregon State		12:30 p.m.
S 9	vs. Idaho		5:30 p.m.
S 15-16	Cornell Invitational (Ithaca, N.Y.)		
S 15	vs. Northeastern		4 p.m.
S 16	vs. Kent State		10 a.m.
S 16	at Cornell		7 p.m.
S 19	<b>UC-Riverside</b>		7 p.m.
S 22	at Utah*		7 p.m.
S 23	at BYU*		7 p.m.
S 26	<b>Loyola Marymount</b>		6 p.m.
S 29	<b>New Mexico*</b>		7 p.m.
S 30	<b>Air Force*</b>		7 p.m.
O 7	at UNLV*		4 p.m.
O 13	at Wyoming*		7 p.m.
O 14	at Colorado State*		7 p.m.
O 16	<b>William &amp; Mary</b>		5 p.m.
O 17	at UC-Riverside		7 p.m.
O 20	<b>BYU*</b>		7 p.m.
O 21	<b>Utah*</b>		7 p.m.
O 27	at Air Force*		7 p.m.
O 28	at New Mexico*		7 p.m.
N 4	<b>UNLV*</b>		7 p.m.
N 10	<b>Colorado State*</b>		7 p.m.
N 11	<b>Wyoming*</b>		7 p.m.
N 16-18	at Mountain West Championship (Fort Collins, Colo.)		
N 21	at San Diego		7 p.m.

### UNLV REBELS (0-3 / 0-0 MWC)

Date	Opponent	Score	Time/Result
S 1-2	Florida Tournament		
S 1	at Florida	2-15, 8-15, 5-15	0-3 L
S 1	vs. Wisconsin	5-15, 0-15, 1-15	0-3 L
S 2	vs. Ball State	12-15, 5-15, 11-15	0-3 L
S 8-9	<b>UNLV Invitational</b>		
S 8	vs. Idaho State		2:30 p.m.
S 8	vs. Alabama		7:30 p.m.
S 9	vs. Boise State		9:30 a.m.
S 9	vs. San Jose State		5 p.m.
S 14	vs. UC Santa Barbara (in Hawai'i)		7 p.m.
S 16	at Hawai'i		7 p.m.
S 22	at BYU*		7 p.m.
S 23	at Utah*		7 p.m.
S 28	<b>New Mexico*</b>		7 p.m.
S 29	<b>Air Force*</b>		7 p.m.
O 7	<b>San Diego State*</b>		4 p.m.
O 13	at Colorado State*		7 p.m.
O 14	at Wyoming*		7 p.m.
O 19	<b>BYU*</b>		7 p.m.
O 20	<b>Utah*</b>		7 p.m.
O 27	at New Mexico*		7 p.m.
O 28	at Air Force*		7 p.m.
N 4	at San Diego State*		7 p.m.
N 8	<b>Nevada</b>		7 p.m.
N 9	<b>Wyoming*</b>		7 p.m.
N 11	<b>Colorado State*</b>		7:30 p.m.
N 16-18	at Mountain West Championship (Fort Collins, Colo.)		
N 24-25	Baylor Tournament (Waco, Texas)		
N 24	at Baylor		7 p.m.
N 25	Consolation/Championship		5/7 p.m.

### UTAH UTES (3-0 / 0-0 MWC)

Date	Opponent	Score	Time/Result
S 1-2	New Hampshire Tournament (Durham, N.H.)		
S 1	vs. Eastern Michigan	15-7, 15-2, 15-1	3-0 W
S 2	vs. Massachusetts	15-8, 15-10, 15-2	3-0 W
S 2	at New Hampshire	15-12, 15-4, 15-4	3-0 W
S 5	<b>Stanford</b>		7 p.m.
S 8-9	Cal Poly Tournament (San Luis Obispo, Calif.)		
S 8	vs. Nevada		5 p.m.
S 9	vs. San Diego		11:30 a.m.
S 9	at Cal Poly San Luis Obispo		7:30 a.m.
S 15	<b>Temple</b>		7 p.m.
S 16	<b>Arizona</b>		4 p.m.
S 22	<b>San Diego State*</b>		7 p.m.
S 23	<b>UNLV*</b>		7 p.m.
S 29	at Wyoming*		7 p.m.
S 30	at Colorado State*		7 p.m.
O 3	<b>Idaho State</b>		7 p.m.
O 6	<b>BYU*</b>		7 p.m.
O 10	at Utah State		7 p.m.
O 13	<b>New Mexico*</b>		7 p.m.
O 14	<b>Air Force*</b>		7 p.m.
O 20	at UNLV*		7 p.m.
O 21	at San Diego State*		7 p.m.
O 27	<b>Colorado State*</b>		7 p.m.
O 28	<b>Wyoming*</b>		7 p.m.
N 3	at BYU*		7 p.m.
N 10	at Air Force*		7 p.m.
N 11	at New Mexico*		7 p.m.
N 16-18	at Mountain West Championship (Fort Collins, Colo.)		
N 22	at Weber State		7 p.m.
N 25	Denver		1 p.m.

### WYOMING COWGIRLS (2-3 / 0-0 MWC)

Date	Opponent	Score	Time/Result
S 1-2	UTSA Volleyball Classic (San Antonio, Texas)		
S 1	vs. Oregon	1-15, 15-6, 7-15, 12-15	1-3 L
S 1	at Texas-San Antonio	12-15, 9-15, 9-15	0-3 L
S 2	vs. Sam Houston State	15-6, 15-3, 15-6	3-0 W
S 2	vs. Mississippi	11-15, 2-15, 15-10, 3-15	1-3 L
S 4	at Texas-Arlington	10-15, 10-15, 15-13, 15-11, 15-12	3-2 W
S 8-9	Panther Invitational (Milwaukee, Wis.)		
S 8	at Wisconsin-Milwaukee		7 p.m.
S 9	vs. Austin Peay		Noon
S 9	vs. Portland		5 p.m.
S 14	<b>Utah State</b>		7 p.m.
S 15-16	<b>Cowgirl Classic (Laramie, Wyo.)</b>		
S 15	vs. Xavier		4 p.m.
S 16	vs. Pittsburgh		10:30 a.m.
S 16	vs. Wisconsin-Green Bay		6 p.m.
S 17	<b>Loyola-Chicago</b>		1 p.m.
S 20	at Colorado State*		7 p.m.
S 22-23	Golden Dome Invitational (South Bend, Ind.)		
S 22	at Notre Dame		7 p.m.
S 23	vs. Loyola Marymount		5 p.m.
S 29	<b>Utah*</b>		7 p.m.
S 30	<b>BYU*</b>		7 p.m.
O 6	at New Mexico*		7 p.m.
O 7	at Air Force*		7 p.m.
O 13	<b>San Diego State*</b>		7 p.m.
O 14	<b>UNLV*</b>		7 p.m.
O 16	at Weber State		7 p.m.
O 20	<b>Colorado State*</b>		7 p.m.
O 24	<b>Denver*</b>		7 p.m.
O 27	at BYU*		7 p.m.
O 28	at Utah*		7 p.m.
N 3	<b>Air Force*</b>		7 p.m.
N 4	<b>New Mexico*</b>		7 p.m.
N 9	at UNLV*		7 p.m.
N 11	at San Diego State*		7 p.m.
N 16-18	at Mountain West Championship (Fort Collins, Colo.)		